



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

February 25, 1998

S. 1668

A bill to encourage the disclosure to Congress of certain classified and related information

*As reported by the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence
on February 23, 1998*

The bill would require the President to inform certain federal employees and contract employees that they may disclose classified and unclassified information to Congressional oversight committees if they believe the information provides direct and specific evidence of wrongdoing. CBO estimates that the costs of implementing S. 1668 would not be significant because the number of employees covered by the bill would be small and the cost associated with each notice would be minimal. Because the legislation would not affect direct spending or receipts, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

The bill contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995, and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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